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**PINAL COUNTY
CORRIDORS
DEFINITION STUDY
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Pinal County Corridors Definition Study

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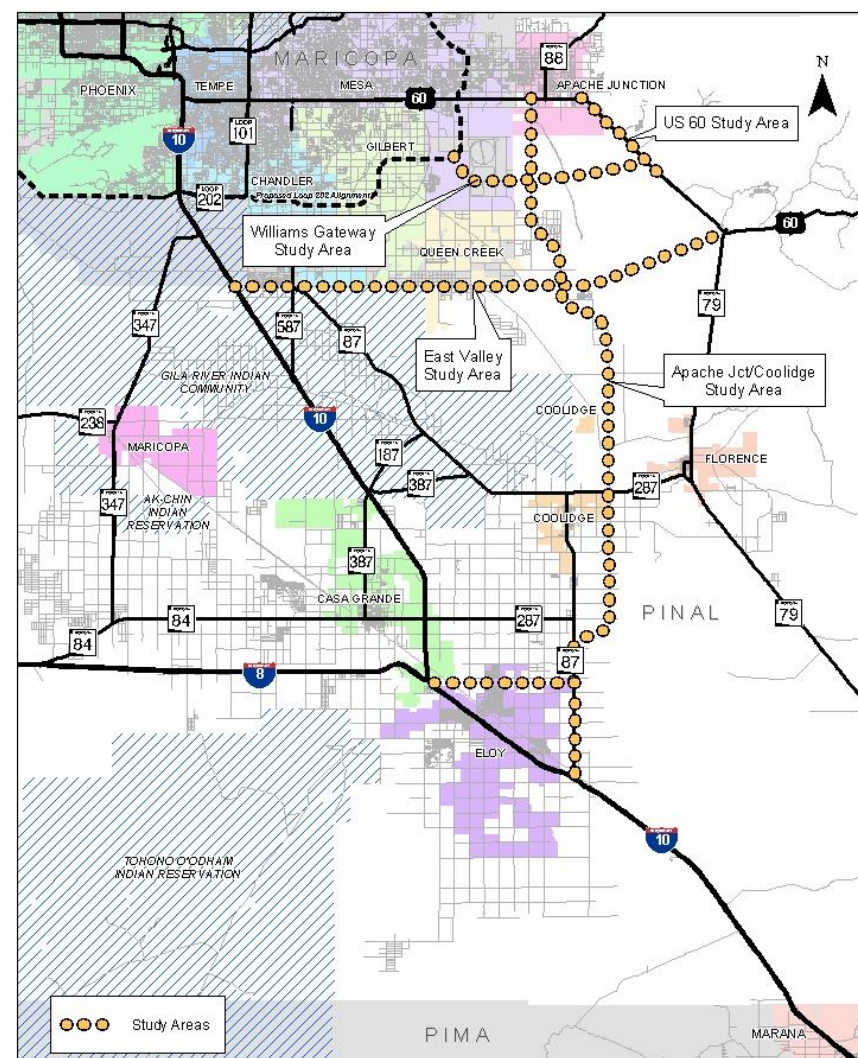
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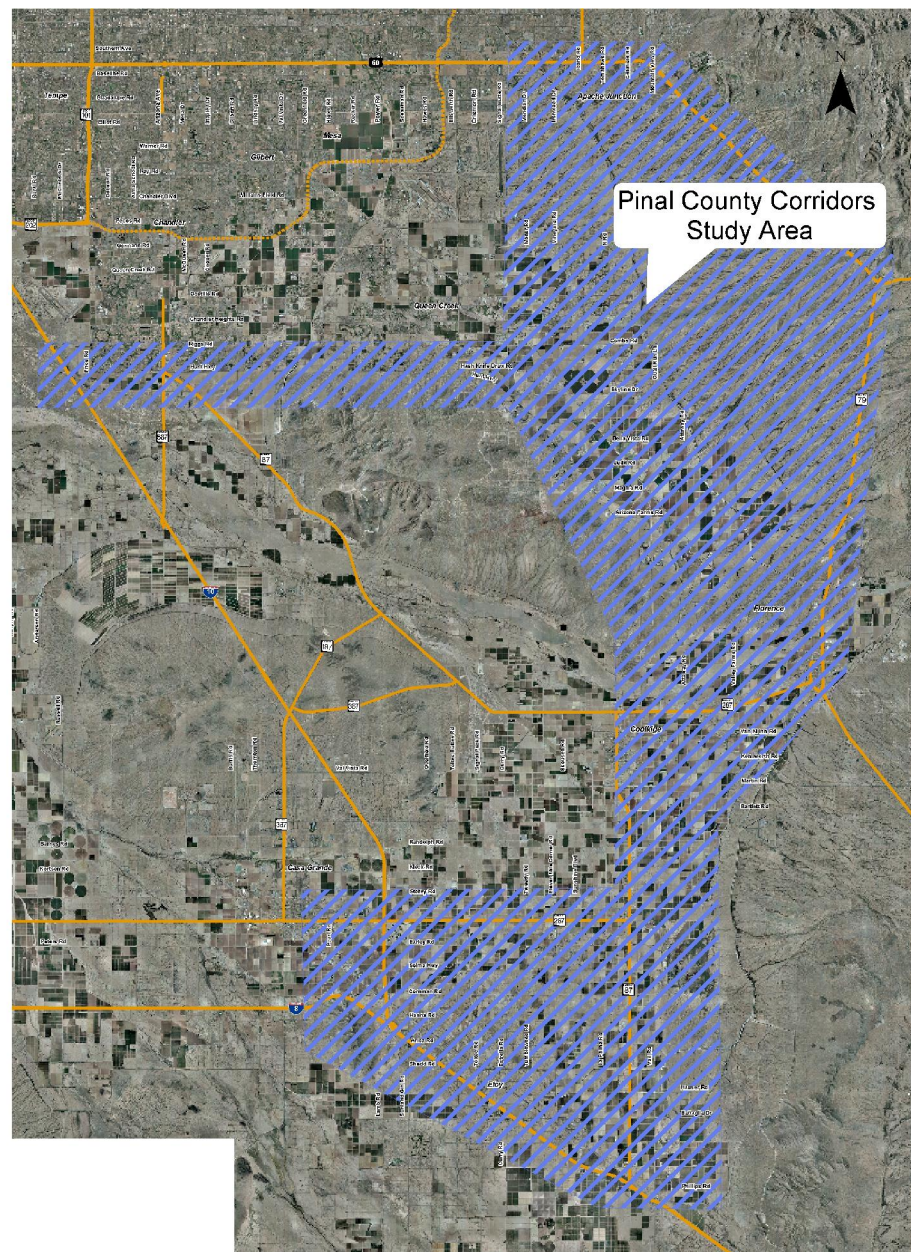
Pinal County Corridors Study Areas

- East Valley

East-west study area connecting I-10 and US 60 near Florence Junction

- Apache Junction-Coolidge

North-south study area connecting I-10 near Casa Grande or Eloy and US 60 in Apache Junction





Study Objectives

- i Focus on transportation planning
- i Determine need for and feasibility of new road
- i Gather input on corridor opportunities and constraints from public, city/county staff, and elected officials



Study Objectives

- i Make recommendations to the State Transportation Board:
 - i Type of roadway (freeway, arterial, etc.), if any
 - i General corridor location
 - i Jurisdictional responsibility (who will build and maintain the road)
- i Further action will be determined by the Board

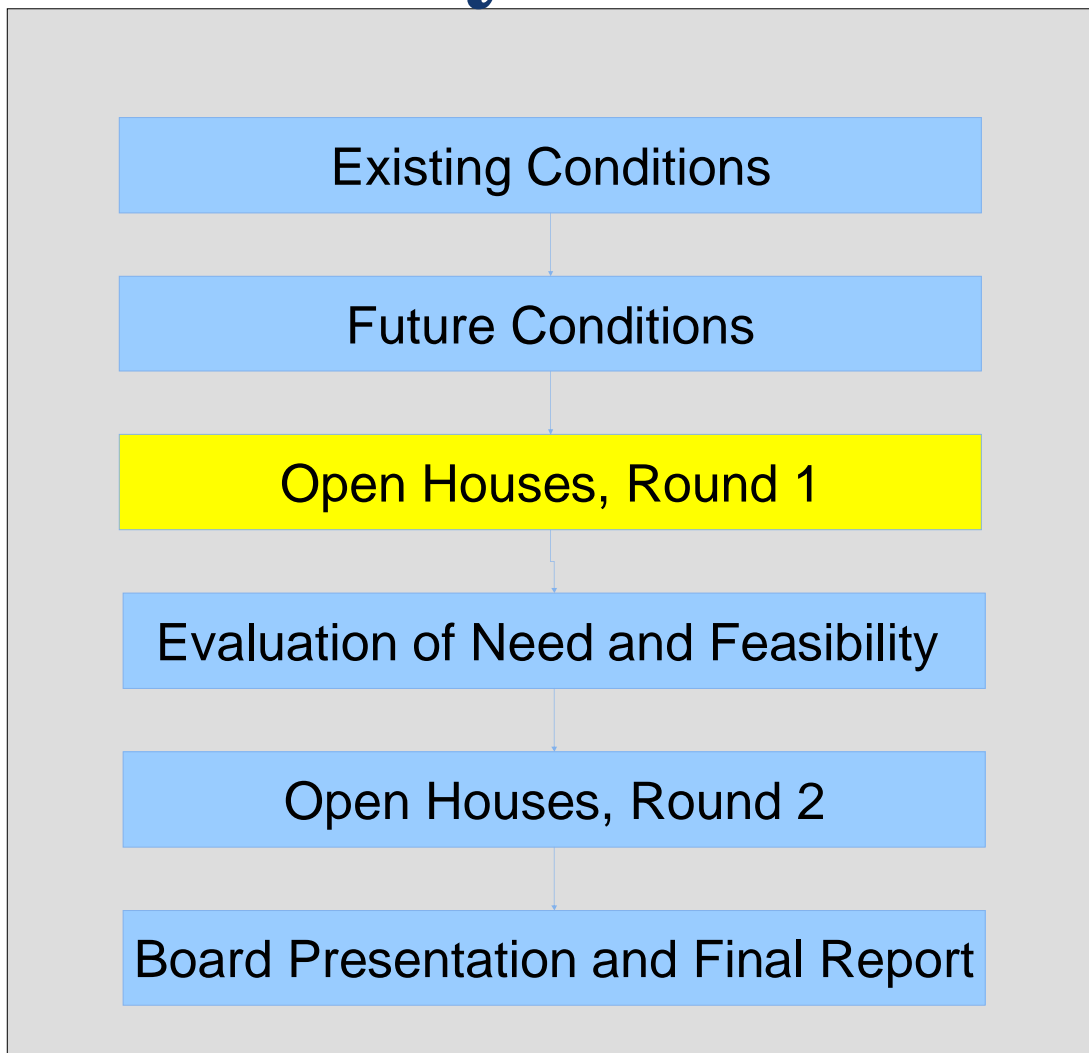


The Study Will Not...

- i Recommend a road for which need is not established
- i Recommend a road that is not feasible to build
- i Determine an exact alignment for the road
- i Design any aspect of the road



Study Process





Technical Advisory Committee

- i ADOT Transportation Planning Division and Engineering Districts
- i Maricopa and Pinal Counties
- i All local jurisdictions in study areas
- i Regional planning organizations (MAG, PAG, and CAAG)
- i Arizona State Land Department
- i Federal Highway Administration
- i Gila River Indian Community
- i Regional Public Transit Authority



What we are learning from staff, elected officials, and stakeholders...

- i Traffic congestion and regional accessibility are current problems
- i Planning studies and corridor improvements are underway in Maricopa and Pinal counties
- i Today's transportation system will not accommodate development
- i New development limits our options
- i Environmental, archaeological, and drainage issues are significant
- i Funds would need to be identified for right-of-way preservation and corridor construction



What we are learning from staff, elected officials, and stakeholders...

Apache Junction/Coolidge Study Area

- i Land use planning is underway for State Trust land, southeast of Apache Junction
- i Flood control dams, Central Arizona Project Canal, and the proposed SRP 500 kV transmission line offer potential locations for new corridors
- i A new crossing of the Gila River is desired
- i Improved access to the Coolidge Airport is a regional priority





What we are learning from staff, elected officials, and stakeholders...

East Valley Study Area

- i Coordination with the Gila River Indian Community is vital
- i Existing development along Riggs Road and Hunt Highway severely limits corridor opportunities
- i Corridor opportunities exist in Pinal County



General Questions?



Information on Display

- i Blank aerial
- i Study area map
- i Development trends
- i 2004 and 2030 population
- i 2004 congestion
- i 2030 congestion for do-nothing condition
- i 2030 congestion with enhanced road system





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